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OF THE SOUTHWEST INC., AND NEW COMMUNICATIONS ONLINE AND LONG DISTANCE, INC., FOR APPROVAL OF THE

TRANSFER OF VERIZON'S LOCAL

EXCHANGE AND LONG DISTANCE



BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION CO 1 RECEIVED **COMMISSIONERS** 2 KRISTIN K. MAYES - Chairman 7009 SEP 15 P 1: 30 GARY PIERCE 3 PAUL NEWMAN AZ CORP COM SANDRA D. KENNEDY DOCKETED BY **BOB STUMP** 5 DOCKET NO. T-01846B-09-0274 IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT 6 T-03289A-09-0274 APPLICATION OF VERIZON CALIFORNIA, T03198A T-03189A-09-0274 INC., VERIZON LONG DISTANCE, LLC, 7 T-20679A-09-0274 VERIZON ENTERPRISES SOLUTIONS, LLC, FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS T-20680A-09-0274 8 CORPORATION, NEW COMMUNICATIONS T-20681A-09-0274

STAFF'S REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE STAFF TESTIMONY

On May 29, 2009, Verizon California, Inc., Verizon Long Distance, LLC, Verizon Enterprises Solutions, Frontier Communications Corporation, New Communications of the Southwest, Inc. and New Communications Online and Long Distance, Inc. (together, the "Applicants"), filed with the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") a joint application for approval of the transfer of Verizon Communications, Inc.'s local exchange and long distance services, provided in Arizona by Verizon California, Inc. to companies to be owned and controlled by Frontier Communications Corporation.

By Procedural Order dated July 15, 2009, the Commission established a procedural schedule in this matter. The Applicants filed their Direct Testimony on July 15, 2009. Staff was scheduled to file its Testimony on September 15, 2009. However, due to Staff counsel's absence most of last week on family matters, Staff will need additional time to complete its legal analysis of the Joint Application.

Accordingly, Staff respectfully requests an extension of time until Monday, September 21, 2009 to file its Testimony in this matter. Staff counsel has discussed this with the attorneys representing Verizon and Frontier and neither Applicant objects to the extension of time requested herein. Staff or the Applicants are not at this time seeking any other change to the schedule;

1 however, Staff would note that to the extent Applicants need some additional time to file their 2 Rebuttal Testimony, Staff is willing to work with them to accomplish that without a change in the 3 hearing date. Should this be necessary, however, it is Staff's understanding that the Applicants will 4 make a separate filing in this regard. 5 WHEREFORE, Staff respectfully requests an extension of the time to file its Testimony in 6 this case until Monday, September 21, 2009. 7 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 15th day of September 2009. 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 Original and thirteen (13) copies 15 of the foregoing filed this 15th day of September 2009 with: 16 **Docket Control** Arizona Corporation Commission 17 1200 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007 18 19 Copies of the foregoing mailed this 15th day of September 2009 to: 20 Jeffrey W. Crockett, Esq. SNELL & WILMER 21 One Arizona Center 22 400 East Van Buren Street Phoenix, Arizona 85004 23 Thomas H. Campbell, Esq. 24 Michael T. Hallam, Esq. LEWIS AND ROCA 40 North Central Avenue 25 Phoenix, Arizona 85004 26 27

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